

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Weh et al.  
App. No : 10/506,362  
Filed : May 11, 2005  
For : CONNECTION COUPLING  
Examiner : Craig James Price  
Art Unit : 3753  
Conf # : 1081

**RESPONSE AFTER FINAL**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action issued January 16, 2008, Applicant respectfully submits the following amendments and comments in connection with the above-captioned application. Changes to the pending claims have been identified with underlining to indicate insertions and by strikethrough or brackets to indicate deletions.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.